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STEPHEN S. DAVIS, Chief Clerk

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AN ACT

To repeal section 331.010, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the practice of chiropractic.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 331.010, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 331.010, to read as follows:

331.010. 1. The "practice of chiropractic" is defined as the science and art of examination, diagnosis, adjustment, manipulation and treatment of malpositioned or kinetically altered articulations [and], structures, and diseases of the body, both in inpatient and outpatient settings. The adjustment, manipulation, or treatment shall be directed toward restoring and maintaining the normal physiological, neuromuscular and musculoskeletal function and health.

- It shall not include the use of operative surgery, obstetrics, osteopathy, podiatry, nor the administration or prescribing of any drug or medicine nor the practice of medicine. The practice
- 8 of chiropractic is declared not to be the practice of medicine and operative surgery or osteopathy 9 within the meaning of chapter 334, RSMo, and not subject to the provisions of the chapter.
- 2. A licensed [chiropractor] chiropractic physician as a primary care provider may practice chiropractic as defined in subsection 1 of this section by those methods commonly taught in any chiropractic college or chiropractic program in a university recognized and
- 13 approved by the board.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law. Matter in boldface type in the above law is new proposed language.

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3. Chiropractors may advise and instruct patients in all matters pertaining to hygiene,

- 15 nutrition, and sanitary measures, and order appropriate clinical care as commonly taught in
- 6 any chiropractic college **or chiropractic program in a university** recognized and approved by
- 17 the board.